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Docket No. 1232-5564

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Tadashi OKAMOTO Confirmation No.: 8048  
Serial No.: 10/518,559 Group Art Unit: 1634  
Filed: December 21, 2004 Examiner: Narayan Kameshwar BHAT  
For: METHOD OF ANALYZING SUBSTANCE ON SUBSTRATE BY MASS SPECTROMETRY

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated July 24, 2008, the applicant(s) respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

In addition, the applicant(s) have petitioned for a two (2) months extension of time and paid concurrently herewith the appropriate fee for extending the period of response up to and including December 24, 2008.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**